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In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed April 9, 2002, Applicant elects to prosecute the following group of claims with traverse:

Group I: Claims 1-8 and 19-26: Method and apparatus for suppressing resonant modes of a substrate using a damping material.

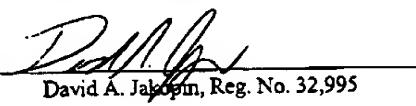
Applicant traverses the restriction requirement, as the two different types of methods and apparatus of for suppressing the resonant modes that are recited can be used together, and are claimed as such. In particular, claims 10-14 and 28-32 recite both modes. Thus, in order to search these claims, each of the individual modes recited in claims 1, 9, 19 and 27 will also need to be searched.

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Accordingly, it is respectfully asserted that the claimed inventions could be searched with a single search, and withdrawal of the restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

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